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Title: COMMUNICATIONS DEVICE AND METHOD FOR USING THE
COMMUNICATIONS DEVICE TO COMMUNICATE A MESSAGE

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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- New disclosure information, including:
 - Information disclosure statement, 1 page.
 - PTO-1449, 1 page.
- Request and Certification Under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i), 1 page.
- Small entity statement. This application is entitled to small entity status.
- Postcard.

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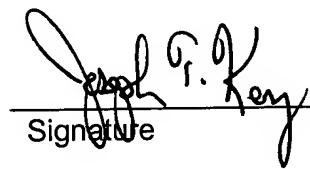
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Title	Communications Device and Method for Using the Communications Device to Communicate a Message
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